GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:162
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2000
STATUS OF HINDI
JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Kya Hindi Bhi Khestriya BhashaHai" appearing in the Hindustan dated February 3, 2000;

(b) if so, whether the National Council for EducationalResearch and Training has accorded the status of regional language to Rajbhasha Hindi while English has been recognized as a link language which is the only language for original book writing;

(c) if so, the details in this regard; and

(d) the action proposed to be taken by the Government to find out the reasons for neglecting the Rajbhasha by Government institutions?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN ANSWER TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.162 ASKED BY SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV, M.P. TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.03.2000 REGARDING STATUS OF HINDI.

The NCERT has prepared a "Discussion Document" with regard to the school curriculum. According to the information supplied by the Council, certain suggestions received in respect of language teaching have been placed for consideration in the Document. The Document is being discussed at various levels and even the Council has not taken any view at this stage.

After the National Curriculum Framework has been givena final shape by the NCERT, it will be seenby the Government. As per the National Education Policy, the Government of India policy has been to use Hindi andother Indian languages for imparting primary and secondary level education. Government does not envisage any change in this basic policy.